

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the amendment to the claims and the remarks presented herein.

The claims in the application are claims 1 to 9, no other claims being presented. Claims 3 and 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 second paragraph as being indefinite as lacking antecedent basis and claim 7 was deemed not clear in the use of parentheses.


Applicants traverse these grounds of rejection since the amended claims comply with 35 U.S.C. 112. Claims 3 and 6 now have antecedent basis and claim 7 no longer contains parentheses. Therefore, withdrawal of these grounds of rejection is requested.

Claims 1 to 3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 as being anticipated by the Hatsujo patent and claim 4 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being obvious thereover taken in view of the Findlater patent. Claims 5 to 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being obvious over the Hatsujo patent taken in view of Teratoko et al patent. The Examiner states that the Hatsujo patent teaches a method for forming a rotationally symmetric body containing an annulus (3), a tooth profile (2) which is worked into a metal strip, cutting the sheet metal strip into lengths, bending the metal strips to form a rotationally symmetric body and fixing the ends to each other. The Findlater patent is cited to show welding the end strips and the Teratoko patent is cited to show a circular tooth body.

Applicants respectfully traverse these grounds of rejection since the prior art cited by the Examiner neither anticipates nor render obvious the present claims. The present claims are now directed to the method wherein the tooth profile is arranged on the inner wall of the annulus and is configured as a helical gearing and that is in no way suggested by any of the prior art cited by the Examiner which enables the transmission of any desired torsion force. Therefore, the prior art neither anticipates or render obvious Applicants' invention nor the advantages therefor. Therefore, withdrawal of these grounds of rejection is requested.

In view of the amendments to the claims and the above remarks, the claims clearly point out Applicants' patentable contribution. Therefore, favorable reconsideration of the invention is requested.

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